Petra Gertrud Hrasky (nee Waberski)

It is with deep sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Petra Gertrud Hrasky, who passed away peacefully, surrounded by family, on Thursday May 22, 2025, at the Royal Jubilee Hospital.

Predeceased by her father Guenther in 2003 and her mother Erika in 2022 she is survived by her husband of 45 years, Jaroslav (Jersey), sons Tielo (Chantal) and Kielan (Brianna); brother Michael (Susan); and her sister Christa (Robert). She will be deeply missed by her five grandchildren – Avery, Hudson, Attley, Hayden and Rayna – as well as by numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, uncles and friends in Canada, Germany and Austria.



Petra was born and raised in Victoria, where she completed her education from Oaklands Elementary through Lansdowne Junior High and Victoria High School, eventually pursuing nursing training at Begbie Hall at Royal Jubilee Hospital. Upon graduation in 1977, working in the operating room became her passion and after numerous distance courses from Athabasca and the University of Victoria, she received her BSc in Nursing in 2003. Shortly thereafter, she successfully applied for the

Operating Room Manager's position, completing her full circle in nursing. Her endless energy towards the job, her loyalty to colleagues both doctors and nurses was only surpassed by her love for her treasured grandchildren. They were the highlights of her life! Petra had long learned to sidestep the 'Winter Blues' by escaping to sunnier shores – Hawaii, Mexico and the Caribbean were her favourite getaways. She cherished the times visiting family and friends in Germany and Austria.

After many years at the helm of the Royal Jubilee Hospital operating room, Petra retired January 2015. Adjusting to retirement and finding meaningful ways to fill the time proved challenging. Even learning to relax felt like hard work. Through it all, family and others' needs were always a priority. Oma's home was a cherished haven for the grandchildren, always stocked with treasured treats and beloved snacks.

Petra will be remembered as a devoted and selfless wife, mother, Oma, sister, and friend – hardworking, kind, and deeply respected; she always placed the needs of others before her own.

Many thanks to all the wonderful doctors who attended to Petra's medical needs, the nurses, caregivers, palliative care doctors and social workers at Royal Jubilee Hospital 5th floor SE for their comforting care and assistance through this difficult time.

Love you to the moon and back.

Celebration of Petra's life will be held in the Sequoia Centre at McCall Gardens, 4665 Falaise Drive, on Tuesday, June 24, 2025, at 2:00 PM.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Petra's name to the Victoria Hospitals Foundation to support surgical training.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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